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Man rescued after iump into Dow's Lake

INCIDENT Police and fire rescue crews were called to Dow's Lake Thursday morning to rescue a man who had left the care of Royal Ottawa Hospital attendees, jumped into the water, then clung to a buoy in the middle of the lake.

The man, who was voluntarily admitted to the hospital, was being transported to the Ottawa Civic Hospital at 8:30 a.m. when he ran away from the hospital staff escorting him.

Royal Ottawa Hospital spokeswoman Christina Selin said they have a policy of not physically restraining patients when they are not on hospital grounds.

'This is an isolated incident. It's not something that happens on a regular basis," she said.

Around 10 a.m. police crews and the fire services rescue boat brought the man back to shore.

He was returned to hospital.

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Gauthier Women's K-4 500-metre team advances



Ottawa's Kristin Gauthier, third from left, paddles for the finish line with Genevieve Orton of Lake Echo, N.S., Montreal's Emilie Fournel, and Mylanie Barre of Lac Beauport, Que., in Thursday's heat at the world sprint canoe/kayak championships in Halifax. Canada's women's K-4 500-metre team advanced directly to Saturday morning's final.

Have you Counted In?

Residents challenged to conserve energy Friday in Ont. event

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This Friday, doing your part for conservation is as easy as turning out a light. using a clothesline instead of a dryer or choosing a ceiling fan over an air conditioner.

Ottawa residents are encouraged to be a part of the solution today as the city joins 82 other municipalities — representing 60 per cent of the province's population — to take part in the Count Me In Chal-

The first-year event will have cities competing to see who will have the highest consumption drop per

capita. Interest in the campaign is rapidly growing, said Tim Taylor. spokesman for Ontario Power Authority and team leader for Count Me In.

"The momentum is remarkable," said Taylor, who said as of Thursday, 215,000 acts of conservation had been registered on the event's website at countmeinontario.ca.

As president of Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Coun. Peter Hume is leading the charge in Ottawa and across Ontario. He predicted that Ottawans will jump on board. "The citizens of Ottawa

are leaders when it comes to wanting to make their

'Using ... smartly'

• The event, held from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday, encourages all participants to do their part to conserve electricity by doing simple things, like turning out their lights, unplugging unnecessary appliances and cutting time on their showers, said National Public Relations spokeswoman Heather Agnew.

communities, their city and their province a better place," said Hume. "I'm confident we're up there in the running to win the prize, which is a great rep-utation for conservation."

The event, which coincides with the sixth anniversary of the 2003 blackout, wouldn't be possible without the help of local utilities, said Taylor.

'The city of Ottawa had to work with Hydro Ottawa to measure (the savings)," he said. Across Ontario, the Independent Electricity System Operator will gather the information. The winner will be declared at Wednesday's AMO meeting in Ottawa.

Conservation can be easy, Taylor said.

'It's not about deprivation. It's about using energy smartly. And at the end of the day, people will say, 'that wasn't so hard. I saved some money and it's good for the environment. It's a win-win situation."

Health unit readies for flu season

Flu Outbreak

HEALTH With no new cases of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, to report over the last week. Ottawa's public health unit has shifted its focus to planning for what it anticipates to be a busy flu season.

'We certainly think we're past the peak of the first wave," said Dr. Isra Levy, Ottawa's medical officer of health. "But we're anticipat-

ing a busy influenza season.

"We want to ensure that individuals who don't have a family physician ĥave a place to go," said

• In Ottawa. the number of confirmed at 361; hospitalizations 69: persons currently in hospital, one; and deaths, four.

Cases

Levy. The city is expanding the staffing for its public health line. By calling 613-580-6744, residents will be able to seek advice from public health nurses, who can serve callers in English, French, Vietnamese, Cantonese, Mandarin. Arabic, Somali and Spanish.

While people who suffer serious symptoms, including difficulty breathing, should seek help in hospital, patients with pre-existing conditions including diabetes, pregnancy and obesity should also seek treatment early, said Levy.

Patients who suffer mild symptoms should stay

home, he said. Public health will also be working with school boards, Levy said. Levy said they did the right thing during the height of the first wave by not closing schools.

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This Saturday and Sunday, visitors can explore the science of rocketry at the Canada Science and Technology Museum. Make your own balloon rocket racers, launch antacid rockets and explore the chemistry behind rocketry. METRO OTTAWA

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Get ready to party with mythic creatures
The Canadian Museum of Civilization is hosting its Mythic Bash Aug. 22. Visitors are invited to come in costume, get a temporary tattoo of a mythic beast, meet a psychic and a magician, watch medieval combat demonstrations, and try sea serpent stew and smoked dragon's tongue sandwiches. The party is held from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$10 and include admission to Mythic Beasts: Dragons, Unicorns and Mermaids.



22 charges laid in safety campaign

AWARENESS Six pedestrians and 16 motorists were charged by Ottawa police last month for safety-related offences in support of the city's Walk Like Your Life Depends On It pedestrian awareness and enforcement campaign.

Officers also handed out thousands of information pamphlets to both pedestrians and motorists that contained data on Ottawa's pedestrian collision and traffic injury history, as well as tips on how to increase pedestrian safety. METRO OTTAWA

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New health paradigm in Ottawa

Province unveils \$1M funding boost for Orléans 'mini-hospital'

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Less than three years from now, the door of a new family health hub will open and put Orléans at the leading edge of what could be a new paradigm

in health care delivery.
Thursday, Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty announced the province was committing \$1 million to help the Montfort Hospital develop a comprehensive business plan for a type of mini-hospital in Orléans.

The new centre would offer emergency service, chronic disease and pain management, health service, dialysis, cancer care, diagnostic imaging, and laboratory services that would otherwise only be available at a hospital.

"This is a new model that is bringing primary care out of the hospital setting," said Gerald Savoie, president and CEO of the Montfort Hospital.

The money is intended to cover the cost of devel-



Premier Dalton McGuinty speaks with Montfort Hospital president and CEO Gerald Savoie during a press conference to announce the province was giving the hospital \$1 million to develop a business model for a family health hub in Orléans

oping service models, a detailed plan outlining service volumes, cost estimates, requirement for human resources, space and infrastructure, as well as a site evaluation and construction plan.

Savoie said there are between seven and 10 locations being considered, and they hope to begin construction in early 2011, a timeline he called "lightning speed" for a government project. If all goes well, the health hub would open its doors by late 2011 or early 2012.

The core services of the new health hub would be formed by the Orléans Family Health Team. The Champlain Community

Care Access Centre would also be located there, to help families connect with home care, long-term care and other services.

Dr. Robert Cushman, CEO of the Champlain Local Health Integration Network, predicted this centre would become the model for health care delivery in the future.

The solo practice model — the doc in the box, or the nurse or physio by himself - does not work in modern medicine," he said. "Patients today are much too complex. That is ices ... this is the way health care needs to evolve." why we have to locate serv-

Even though McGuinty is enthusiastic about potential for the health hub in Orléans, he isn't rushing to set them up across the province.

"I'd rather that we work together on the development of this model. Make sure we get it right, then hold it up as a shining example that would serve as an inspiration to other communities," he said.

Caribe-Expo rich in culture

TRACEY TONG

One of the main events for Ottawa's Caribbean Festival has been cancelled this year, but organizers are confident visitors will still come out to enjoy the food, music and other performances.

"The parade was the biggest part of the event," said Caribe-Expo executive director Cheryl Antoine. "But it was also the most expensive part."

"You can visit the Caribbean and you won't need a passport."

Cheryl Antoine, Caribe-Expo

In its 16th year, Caribe-Expo is expected to draw thousands of people to Festival Plaza at city hall Saturday and Sunday, Antoine said.

The festival, which kicks off Friday night with a midnight boat cruise, is in full swing by 11 a.m. Saturday, when people can enjoy Caribbean food and artists from Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto performing reggae and East Indian music, said Antoine. Headliners include Raf Lee, an Ottawa reggae artist, and a youth calypso group from Montreal.

'We're small, but we're rich in culture, and we want to share it with the community ... You can visit the Caribbean, and you won't need a passport.'

City signs contract tor new sewers

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INFRASTRUCTURE The City of Ottawa has signed a \$7.5M contract with Taggart/Doran to construct a new sewage regulator to help reduce the sewage overflows the Ottawa River currently receives.

The regulator, which will be constructed near the city's Fleet Street Pumping Station near Booth Street as part of the \$30 million Real Time Control Program, is a key part of the city's Ottawa River Protection Plan.

"This is the first of many steps the City of Ottawa will take in protecting the Ottawa River," said Planning and Environment Committee chair Coun. Peter Hume.

The \$203-million Ottawa River Protection Plan was approved by city council on





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Harper blasts protectionism

PM says 'Buy American' policy sets a bad example

Canada and the United States must make progress in dealing with the "Buy American" component of the \$787-billion U.S. economic stimulus package, because letting it stand would send the message that protectionism is acceptable, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Thursday.

Harper, pressured by Canadian companies that say the measure is unfair and shuts them out of lucrative U.S. markets, raised the matter with U.S. President Barack Obama at a meeting in Mexico this

"At a time when we're trying to fight protectionism globally, I think it essential that we move forward on this and send a positive message to the world."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper

Obama was less exercised about the matter and said the policy had not endangered the huge overall Canada-U.S. trade relation-

ship.
"It's very important that
Canada and the United States ... at a time when we're trying to fight pro-

tectionism globally, I think it essential that we move forward on this and send a positive message to the world," Harper told a televised news conference in Kitchener, Ont.

Because we are seeing the expansion of these domestic preferences around the world ... these things,

if they multiply around the world, could become extremely problematic in terms of recovery," he said.

Harper repeated that he was sure Canada would emerge from the recession

in a strong position.
"Unlike many countries in the world at a time of global recession, we have tax rates that are falling. We will come out of this recession with a very low debt-to-GDP ratio, which will allow our taxes to stay low when others will be pushing theirs up," he

REUTERS



Sport fishermen troll for salmon at the mouth of the Capilano River in West Vancouver, B.C., on Thursday. Millions of sockeye salmon have disappeared mysteriously from a river on Canada's Pacific Coast that was once known as the world's most fertile spawning ground for sockeye.

Millions of sockeye salmon have disappeared off B.C. coast

Millions of sockeye salmon have disappeared mysteriously from a river on Canada's Pacific Coast that was once known as the world's most fertile spawning ground for sockeye.

Up to 10.6 million brightred sockeye salmon were expected to return to spawn this summer on the Fraser River, which empties into the Pacific ocean near Vancouver. The latest estimates say fewer than one million have returned.

The Canadian government has closed the river to commercial and recreational sockeye fishing for the third straight year, hitting the livelihood of nearby Native reserves.

"It's quite the shocking

"It's quite the shocking drop. No one's exactly sure what happened to these fish."

Stan Proboszcz, fisheries biologist

drop," said Stan Proboszcz, fisheries biologist at the Watershed Watch Salmon Society. "No one's exactly sure what happened to these fish."

Salmon are born in fresh water before migrating to oceans to feed. They return as adults to the same rivers to spawn.

Several theories have been put forward to try to explain the sockeye's disappearance:

- · Climate change may have reduced food supply for salmon in the ocean.
- The commercial fish

farms that the young Fraser River salmon pass en route to the ocean may have infected them with sea lice, a marine parasite.

• The rising temperature of the river may have weakened the fish.

The Canadian government doesn't know what's killing the fish, but believes the sockeye are dying off in the ocean, not in fresh water, based on healthy outmigrations, said Jeff Grout, regional resource manager of salmon for the Depart-ment of Fisheries and Oceans. REUTERS

Chalk River reactor out until early '10

MEDICAL Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. has hit more problems with an aging nuclear reactor that produces a third of the world's medical isotope supply and it now says it will not be up and running again until early 2010.

The announcement made after markets closed Wednesday — prompted an angry reaction from the Canadian government, which critics say has hopelessly bungled the affair.

The Chalk River reactor

in eastern Ontario was taken out of service in May after it was discovered to be leaking a small amount of heavy water. short supply.

Isotopes

• The shortlived isotopes — used in medical tests and cancer treatments — are in increasingly

AECL. which is gov-

ernment-owned, initially said the National Research Universal reactor would be back in service in three months but has now pushed back that date

AECL said closer inspection had identified nine different sites at the reactor that need to be fixed, more than had been thought ini-

The federal health and natural resources ministers said they were "very disap-pointed" with the announcement.

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United Church rejects boycott of Israel

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Wait-time expert retiring

McGuinty's go-to man in reducing health-care wait times has left the government — less than two months after being replaced as chair of the scandal-ridden eHealth Ontario.

Acclaimed neurosurgeon Dr. Alan Hudson last week resigned his full-time, \$292,653-a-year job leading the province's efforts to reduce delays in treatment for cancer and cataract sur-

"I am not going to stay on until I die."

Dr. Alan Hudson

gery, diagnostic imaging, cardiac procedures and hip and knee replacements.

Reached on vacation with his family, Hudson said in an interview that he con-sulted Health Minister David Caplan and others before deciding to step down last Friday after five years in

the job.
"Everyone wanted me to stay on, but I am not going to stay on until I die," said the 71-year-old Order of Canada recipient. "It is time for me to do other things play with my grandchildren, do some travelling."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Province to study spread of H1N1

Looking for better count of swine flu cases

The province launches a major study on Friday to get a clearer picture of how many Ontarians have had influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, and is recruiting 3,000 volunteers willing to give blood samples.

"It will give us a sense of how widespread H1N1 has been in Ontario," explained Dr. Michael Gardam, director of infectious disease prevention at the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion. About 4,000 Ontarians

have tested positive for the virus through lab tests. But it's believed that this num**More online**

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ber is just the tip of the iceberg because most people with influenza symptoms do not visit a doctor. Some people who have

contracted H1N1 wouldn't have even known it because they had no symptoms, said microbiologist Dr. Allison McGeer, the director of infection control at Mount Sinai Hospital.

The results will give public health officials an indication of how many people might get sick in the fall

and will help public health providers make decisions on how to plan for flu sea-

The study would also give officials a better idea of who is catching the virus, Gardam said. That's because participants will be asked whether they go to school, take public transit and have children, among other questions.

"It will give us a sense of what are the risk factors for infection," he said.

Volunteers must be 18 and older. Some volunteers will also be asked to give saliva samples.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

SPRAWL Several Toronto-area municipalities are bucking Ontario's ambitious sprawl-busting plan by submitting local plans that contradict its goals, says a report by the Ontario

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Former NDP candidate raises stink

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CONVENTION A former federal NDP candidate from B.C. plans to sit across the street from the party's convention in Halifax Friday morning with a sign

that reads: "I was banned from the convention. Ask me why. Dana Larsen, a marijuana advocate who ran as an NDP candidate during 2008 federal election, claims he was escorted from Halifax's

World Trade and Convention Centre Thursday on allegations that he tried to buy delegate votes.

NDP national director Brad Lavigne confirmed Larsen was deregistered as a convention delegate earlier in the week.

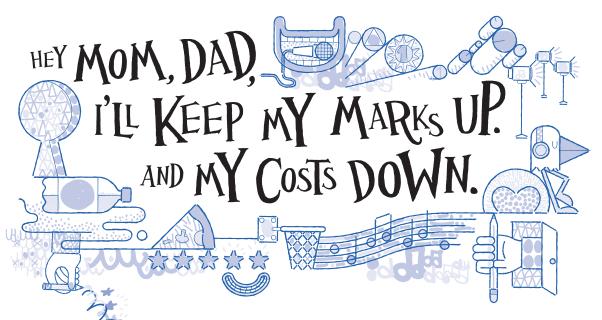
"On a series of websites, he's been providing financial inducements for individuals to vote a certain way," said Lavigne.

He added "bribes for votes" conflicts with the culture of democracy within the party and could put the NDP at risk under the Income Tax and Elections

Larsen, who resigned as the NDP candidate for West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast in 2008 after a YouTube video surfaced of him driving while on acid and pot, said he never intended to get anyone to change their vote. He contends that he posted an offer online to help NDP delegates who are already supportive of drug policy reform with expenses



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Love's complicated course

What happens when a girlfriend becomes a boyfriend?



hen Chastity Bono, now Chaz, announced several

weeks ago, he'd be transitioning to male from female, I immediately wondered how his girlfriend would take it. That's because Chaz's sex change means his girlfriend, who previously had a girlfriend, now has a boyfriend. Come to think of it, Chaz's sex change will now make him a heterosexual male. The physical changes are just the beginning when a

person changes gender. It's what follows that can get complicated.

Changing sexes may be the beginning of a new life for one-half of a couple, but for the other half, it means switching sexual preferences if the relationship is going to continue. While some people are bisexual, most prefer one sex over the other, which is why changing your sexual preference to save a relationship is pretty difficult. In fact, many people can't.

When "Rachel" transitioned to female from male several years ago, she lost the woman she'd loved for the past 33 years. Says Rachel, "My wife was my best friend for such a long time, but she wasn't a lesbian and couldn't change her sexuality."

"Kimberley" would pre-

fer to transition to female from male, but hasn't because she doesn't want to end her 34-year marriage. She feels great anxiety staying in a male body, but knows she'd lose her wife. Kimberley explains, "My wife can't see past a person's sexual identity."

If heterosexuals feel odd having their sexual preferences challenged, gay people have the same difficulty. Kimberley's support group often encounters the issue. "Many transmen identify as lesbians before realizing they're male but their partners don't want a heterosexual relationship."

relationship."
Ironically, both Rachel and Kimberley prefer women, which they always have, but by changing sexes, they're now lesbians, although their actual sexual preferences haven't

changed. Says Rachel, "I've always liked women."

Rachel says she's seen some couples survive a transition. "I know two couples who have stayed together — one isn't intimate and I'm not sure about the other." In certain cases people are gender blind. One lesbian tells me she'd love her partner as a man or a woman, but when I ask her why she doesn't date men, she can't answer.

As Lysander in Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream lamented, "The course of true love never did run smooth."

Little did he know how complicated the course of true love was about to become.

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Worth mentioning

E.T. text home: Website reaches out to planet

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"It's like a 'message in a bottle' cast out into the stars. What's interesting is not just whether there's anyone listening, but what the public will say to intelligent life on another planet," said project spokesperson Wilson da Silva.

"Hello From Earth is our

way of showing that science can make the impossible possible. We have been to the moon and now we can speak to the stars," he said in a statement.

The messages, to be transmitted from the Canberra Deep Space Communication Complex, with the close co-operation of U.S. space agency NASA, is part of Australia's National Science Week, which celebrates the country's scientific achieve-

ments and creates awareness

of the importance of science.

Science Minister Kim Carr entered the first message to launch the project.

"Hello from Australia on the planet we call Earth. These messages express our people's dreams for the future. We want to share those dreams with you," his message said.

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Views

Party games aren't needed at city hall



The admission of political parties to municipal politics might be a cure that's worse than the disease.

Ontario Progressive Conservative MPP Norm Sterling suggested recently that councillors should run under party banners: "I think the problem in big cities is that they do not have political party structure. The councillors never present a vision for the city. They talk about stop signs, they talk about playgrounds, they talk about bus stops."

One could say "vision" is not conspicuously plentiful in our federal or provincial governments either, and if anyone needed a reminder that parties can also be fractious and disorderly creatures, Sterling's idea was publicly shot down by his Tory caucus

mate Bill Muradoch.
And stop against Ottawa's

signs, playgrounds and bus stops are, after all, what cities are

made of. Like it or not, this is part of the business of city council. You say parochial, I say local.

Yes, voter interest and turnout is low in municipal elections, but the addition of party labels might encourage us to tune out even more. Voting could be no more than picking your favourite colour of campaign sign instead of bothering to hear a candidate's actual ideas

The Montreal Gazette's Henry Aubin, given his city's experience with municipal parties, is unenthused: "I have one word of advice to people in the rest of Canada who express a

who express a desire for parties: Beware. Municipal

parties are one of the main reasons for Montreal's lack of vision and inertia."

Bloc voting, big money campaigns funded by real estate money and power concentrated in the hands of party bosses are only some of the ills Aubin lays at the feet of the Montreal machines.

The system allegedly works better in Vancouver, if you don't mind decades of same-old, same-old. Of the 72 years since its founding, the right-of-centre Non-Partisan Association has held power for 55. One of the knocks against Ot-

tawa's municipal politics is the power of incumbency. In the past two elections, every single councillor who stood for re-election won. The Vancouver formula, however, seems to offer little relief.

And political parties are already here in all but name. The parties aren't officially involved, but former mayor Bob Chiarelli was before that a Liberal MPP and had countless Grits on his team. Larry O'Brien's troubles with Terry Kilrea all boiled down to competition for small and big-C conservative votes, volunteers and money.

I remain unconvinced that what our admittedly less-than-harmonious city council needs is an injection of the dysfunctional partisan gong show we see on Parliament Hill.

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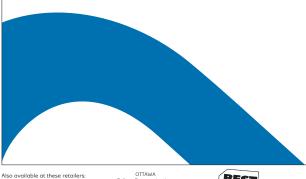
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Governments investing in censorship technology

Governments in the Middle East and North Africa are investing in censorship tools as they expand media infrastructure, CBC News Online reports. The OpenNet Initiative, a partnership of the University of Toronto, Harvard, Oxford and Cambridge, found 14 of 18 countries surveyed used filtering technology. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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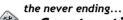
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Clinton backs leader U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton gave firm support in Liberia on Thursday to Africa's only woman president. Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, left, is trying to rebuild Liberia after a 1989-2003 civil war. REUTERS

Writing what he knows?

Close to Zero is the tale of a Russian publisher operating in a murky political system featuring paid-off media, corrupt officials, dubious politicians and law enforcement agencies on the take.

The short novel was published last month and passed unnoticed until Thursday, when a newspaper reported its author was none other than the Krem-

lin's chief political strategist Vladislav Surkov, writing under a pseudonym.

Surkov, a shadowy figure who rarely speaks in public, wields immense influence.

His role as deputy head of the Kremlin administration for the past 10 years under both Vladimir Putin and Dmitry Medvedev puts him at the centre of political power.

The events portrayed are

everyday fare in Russia, where local media sometimes take money in return for favourable coverage and those in power believe they can bribe or bully their way to victory in almost any situation.

A source at the Russky Pioner magazine which published the novella confirmed to Reuters that the story was Surkov's work.

"Yes, it was him," the

source said on condition of anonymity.

The Kremlin denied that Surkov had authored the novel.

"He definitely didn't write it," said a spokesman.

But reports pointed out that the pseudonym used — Natan Dubovitsky — is almost identical to the name of Surkov's second wife, Natalya Dubovitskaya.

REUTERS

UN speaks out on torture

IRAN UN human rights experts said on Thursday hundreds of Iranians accused of taking part in post-election protests have been tortured to obtain confessions according to detainees and people close to them. Any evidence extracted by mistreatment should not be admitted at their trials, as it would vio

late international law, the



United Nations investigators said in a joint statement. Iran has charged dozens of people with spying and aiding a Western plot to overthrdow its system of clerical rule following June's presidential election.

Americans seek meds in Mexico

HEALTH CARE Retiree Bob Ritz has health insurance that covers his medical and dental care in the U.S. But every few months he drives from his home in Arizona to Mexico to avoid the health care costs that aren't paid by insurance.

U.S. President Barack Obama is locked in a bitter fight to overhaul U.S. health care. Republican critics charge that Obama and Democratic allies are seeking a government takeover that will drive up the budget deficit. A recent study estimated that nearly one million people from California alone seek medical, dental or prescription services in Mexico each

Chile Native protest



A member of the Mapuches Indians Movement is arrested during a rally in Santiago Thursday. The rally protested the death of a Mapuche Indian who was shot during clashes with the police over territorial development in southern Chile.

News in brief

LOCKERBIE Families of victims of the 1988 Pan Am 103/Lockerbie bombing stood sharply divided on Thursday over reports that the former Libyan agent jailed for life for the attack is to be freed on compassionate grounds. Abdel Basset al-Megrahi, 57, who was convicted of murder in 2001, is dying of prostate cancer and could be released from a Scottish jail as early as next week, unconfirmed media reports said.

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Attack kills 17 in Iraq

Two suicide bombers killed 17 people and wounded 26 in northern Iraq on Thursday, police said. REUTERS

Security Council softens statement on Myanmar

voiced "serious concern" Thursday about a sentence passed on Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, in a watereddown statement designed to win the consent of China and Russia.

The statement, read to journalists by British Ambassador John Sawers, current president of the council, called for the release of all political prisoners in the Asian country.

A Myanmar court Tuesday sentenced Suu Kyi, who has spent 14 of the past 20 years in detention, to three years in jail - which the

"The members of the Security Council express serious concern at the conviction and sentencing of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi."

UN Security Council statement

ruling iunta then reduced to 18 months of house arrest at her lakeside home in Yangon.

"The members of the Security Council express serious concern at the conviction and sentencing of Daw Aung San Suu Kvi and its political impact," the council statement said.

The statement, agreed by all 15 council members after two days of haggling among diplomats, was diluted from an original U.S. draft, which had "con-demned" the verdict and specifically demanded that the junta free Suu Kyi.

The statement finally adopted confined itself to saying that council members "reiterate the importance of the release of all political prisoners." REUTERS

News in brief

to cure.

CANCER RESEARCH U.S. researchers have found a chemical that can kill breast cancer stem cells - a kind of master cancer cell that resists conventional treatment and may explain why many cancers grow back. Finding ways to destroy these cells could make cancer far easier

FUEL Environmentally friendly fuel does not immediately spring to mind when peeling prawns but Chinese scientists claim shrimp shells may have an important role to play in improving biodiesel production efficiency. Scientists at Hua Zhona Agriculture University in the Wuhan province of China experimented with chitin, the main component in prawn shells, and found it helped convert organic oils into biodiesel at a rate of 89 per cent in three hours.

Mystery deepens over ship that disappeared

rounding a missing mer-chant ship deepened on Thursday with the vessel's operator suggesting piracy and maritime experts suspecting foul play or even a secret cargo.

The Kremlin ordered Russian warships to join the hunt for the 4,000tonne, 98-metre bulk carrier Arctic Sea, whose fate has baffled maritime authorities across Europe and North Africa.

The Maltese-registered vessel, carrying a \$1.3-million cargo of timber, was supposed to have docked on Aug. 4 in the Algerian port of Bejaia. It never arrived and is thought to have last made contact from the Atlantic Ocean off

Mikhail Boytenko, editor of Russia's respected Sovfracht maritime jourrespected nal, said that the ship may have been carrying a secret cargo unknown to the vessel's owners or operators.

"I think there was probably some sort of secret cargo on this vessel, not criminal but secret, and a third party of some sort did not want the cargo to get to another party so this highly sophisticated operation sophisticated operation was cooked up," he told Reuters.

"I don't think that it was pirates who took this vessel but it really smells of some sort of state involvement. This is real cloak and dagger stuff, like a (John) le Carre novel." REUTERS

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Microsoft prices new Zune player below iPod

Microsoft Corp. put its new Zune HD digital music and video player on sale Thursday, pricing it below comparable Apple iPod devices. The devices are priced at \$219.99 for the 16 gigabyte version and \$289.99 for the 32 gigabyte version. REUTERS

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Canada set for rankings jump

Economic forecasts see country nab 5th in '10 index

Canada is expected to move up in global economic rankings in 2009 and 2010 as the recession lingers in other countries, buoyed by a stable bank sector and lower unemployment, a study showed Thursday.

After ranking 11th of 17 developed countries in the Conference Board of Canada's 2008 report card, Canada is expected to vault to fifth place in 2010, based on economic fore-casts by the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the Conference Board said. Using the OECD's fore-

Canadians upbeat

 A separate report issued Thursday showed a growing number of Canadians upbeat about the prospects for the national economy and employment situation in six months.

casts for growth, unemployment and other economic factors over the next two years, the board found Canada was poised to come out of the global recession ahead of many peers, pushing it up the rankings for international economic performance.

Belgium and the United States were also expected to move up, while Britain, Netherlands Switzerland are expected to fall, it said

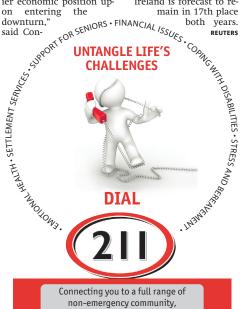
"Canada is expected to weather the global recession better than most of its peers, which is a credit to its stable financial sector and a relatively healthier economic position upentering the

ference Board chief economist Glen Hodgson.

movement Despite among the 17 countries, the top and bottom positions are not expected to change between 2008 and 2010.

Norway is expected to retain first place in both 2009 and 2010, buoyed by its resilient economy and large petroleum sector.

Ireland is forecast to remain in 17th place



Adjusted earnings, which exclude nonoperating losses, were \$103 million, or \$1.26 a share. Canadian Tire said its revenue fell 5.4 per cent to \$2.79 billion.

Canadian Tire shares,

silience in the tough economic environment, have

risen 5.6 per cent so far this

share, in its second quar-

ter, up from \$97.7 million,

or \$1.20 a share, in the

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despite slow spring sales RETAIL Canadian Tire Corp. Strong shares

Canadian Tire profit rises

reported a higher quarter-ly profit Thursday despite a drop in sales as it benefited from improved gross margins and lower expens-

The sales drop was a result of the economic downturn and a cold and wet spring that kept consumers from buying outdoor goods such as barbecues and patio furniture, the company said. Canadian Tire is Cana-

da's biggest auto parts and household goods retailer, and also operates gasoline bars and a financial services unit. It said it earned \$103.7 million, or \$1.27 a

Business in brief

BEVERAGES Dr. Pepper Snapple Group Inc. reported a much higher-than-expected jump in quarterly profit Thursday and raised its full-year outlook, citing lower costs for packaging and ingredients. The company's higher-end noncarbonated drinks continued to suffer as consumers cut back. Snapple's volume fell 15 per cent on the heels of a 22 per cent drop in the first quarter. Still, the company expects Snapple to post volume growth by the end of this year, said chief executive Larry Young during a conference call. Dr. Pepper Snapple has been heavily promoting its reformulated premium iced tea.

Jackson estate may balloon by \$200M

MUSIC Album sales, a movie deal and other projects could boost Michael Jackson's estate by \$200 million (all figures US) before the end of this year, the Los Angeles Times reported on Thursday.

The estate is expected to generate at least \$50 million in annual revenue. John Branca, one of the executors of Jackson's estate and his former lawyer, told the newspaper.

Jackson's album sales have surged following his death in June and the singer has dozens of unreleased songs, some of which executors believe could be released. Branca said record sales

and other revenue could generate \$100 million for



Michael

the estate by the end of 2009. A movie based on singer's last rehearsals. which is expected to be released in October, and other

deals will generate another \$100 million in the same timeframe.

Jackson left about \$400 million in debts when he died of cardiac arrest on June 25, the paper said.

But his assets, including partial ownership of the Sony/ATV music catalogue and many songs by The Beatles, outweigh his debts by at least \$200 million. Branca said there were no plans to part with the catalogue. "We're definitely not selling it," he told the

On Monday, a judge is expected to rule on a planned merchandising deal with Bravado International Group and plans for a traveling show of Jackson memorabilia. REUTERS



season in Europe looks equally bleak on low arrivals and even lower revenues as those who travel come on a budget.

Magna, Sberbank reach deal with GM over Opel purchase

AUTO Magna and its Russian partner Sberbank have reached agreement in principle with General Motors management over a contract to buy 55 per cent of GM's European unit Opel, Magna's co-CEO Siegfried Wolf told Reuters on Thursday.

The boards of directors of GM and Canadian automotive group Magna still need to approve a deal before trustees who control 65 per cent of Opel and its British sister brand Vauxhall could give their final consent, he said.

"At 4:30 this morning Austrian time an agreement on all issues was reached at a management level between Magna, Sberbank and General Motors," Wolf said in an interview, adding "one change or the other" was made in its over 600-page-long offer.

The agreement does not necessarily mean that competing Opel bidder RHI International is out of the running, though, since the Belgian private equity firm has also reached an accord with GM's chief negotiator.

Wal-Mart posts strong Q2 earnings

RETAIL Wal-Mart Stores Inc. posted better-thanexpected quarterly earnings Thursday as a clampdown on inventory offset falling sales, and the company forecast a full-year profit that could beat Wall Street estimates, sending its shares up 1.7 per cent.

The world's biggest retailer, which now bills it-self as "Walmart," said the

hold-down on inventory helped it protect margins and avoid costly markdowns as cautious shoppers stuck to buying necessities like food.

The better-than-expected profit more than outweighed its weaker-thanplanned sales given the tough economy, said Peter Benedict, analyst at Robert W. Baird & Co.

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Fenway to host more hockey

The Boston College and Boston University men's teams will play outdoors at Boston's Fenway Park following the NHL's Winter Classic. METRO NEWS SERVICES

ports

Restore some faith

Rules should be reinforced to make sport pure again



t's time for sport to turn the page on the dark times. The moment is at hand for a renaissance and a return to basics.

Let's give the people who run sport an arbitrary date – make it Jan. 1, 2010 – to get their collective houses in order. By then make it mandatory to identify the rules of fair play, standardize equipment and ban outright the use of performance enhancing drugs

Then, once everything is clear and everyone knows the score, let's start the record books anew and make it plain that while there were great athletes in the past capable of accomplishing remarkable things, we are entering an age of enlightenment.

Sports in brief

NFL Michael Vick is back in the National Football League, as

the quarterback agreed to a

contract with the Philadelphia Eagles on Thursday. The Philadelphia Daily News

reports it's a one-year contract

with a one-year team option.

Several media reports indicate the deal is for \$1.6 million in the first year and the option is

for \$5.2 million.

ROGERS CUP After two months

on the sidelines, Rafael Nadal finally put his knees through a full workout with an energetic 6-3, 6-2 third round win over Germany's Philipp Petzschner

capped by an on-court victory dance at the Montreal Masters

TENNIS Former world No. 1 Monica Seles will be inducted into the Rogers Cup Hall of

Fame next week in Toronto, a fitting honour for the only

NFL Cleveland Browns wide receiver Donte' Stallworth was suspended without pay for the

season Thursday after pleading

guilty to DUI manslaughter in

June. He will be reinstated af-

ter the Super Bowl.

player in the modern era to win four straight Canadian ti-

on Thursday.

Make it a blank sheet a brand new start — and let's believe in sport again.

Reading that the magnificent Hank Aaron is willing to allow drug cheats into baseball's Hall of Fame and their home run records to stand as long as there is an asterisk on the accompanying

plaque is a sad com-mentary on where sport has gone.

So is that fact that more than 40 world records fell at the reswimming cent championships in Hank Aaron Rome because ath-

letes en masse decided to wear flotation devices that allowed them to shatter hard won standards.

Enough already.

The golden age of the amateur is long gone, but that doesn't mean we should allow sport to be hijacked by scientists and shady characters whose sole purpose in life is to turn the athletic pursuit into a seedy business venture. Instead of beating the odds, the thrill of victory

and the agony of defeat, we've got a bunch of hucksters eager to beef up the bottom line while the consumers pay the price.

Sport deserves better than that.

Only by allowing the record books to be completely rewritten will we

understand what we love about sport in the first place. Lasting champions do what they do be-cause they display more talent, have a greater drive or a stronger will to win.

Let's not read about asterisks in convoluted statistical recitations of who did what with the help of which steroid or polyurethane body suit. Let's instead stage a revo-lution and make sport

Only by beginning again will the record books tell the real story of sport.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.



Tiger Woods, left, and Padraig Harrington of Ireland walk across the seventh green Thursday during the first round of the 2009 PGA Championship at Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn. Woods led at 5-under after the first day. Harrington was one stroke back. Mike Weir of Bright's Grove, Ont., sat at 2-over.





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Chelsea sign deal with gaming firm

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Golf, rugby on IOC shortlist

Golf and rugby sevens took a major step towards inclusion in the 2016 Olympic Games after being shortlisted by the **International Olympic** Committee on Thursday.

The two sports, which last featured in the Olympics more than 80 years ago,

were selected from sev-

candidate sports by the IOC's executive board and a final vote on their inclusion will be held at

Golf was last an Olympic sport in 1904. Rugby was featured four of the first

seven Games

until 1924.

History

the IOC session in Copenhagen in October.

The other five — squash, softball, baseball, roller sports and karate — will need to wait another four years before attempting to make it on to the Games program.

"In the end, the decision came down to which two would add the most value," IOC president Jacques Rogge told reporters.

"Golf and rugby scored high on all 33 criteria."

For softball and baseball, which were taken off the Games in 2005 and will not feature from 2012 onwards, it was a bitter decision with severe economic repercussions.

"Reinstatement would have been the catalyst for further sustainable growth," said international softball chief Don Porter. "We will continue to pursue our Olympic

Women's boxing OK'd for Olympics

2012 Women's boxing will make its first appearance on the Olympic program at the London 2012 Games, the International Olympic Committee said on Thursday.

"It is a great addition to the Games," said IOC pres-ident Jacques Rogge. "Boxing was the sole sport where no women were involved (in the summer

Olympics)." The IOC said the current 11 men's events will be replaced by 10 men's and three women's events at the London Games.

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"This is very much not Schindler's List. I think anyone that sees Brad Pitt with that mustache knows this is not Schindler's List," says B.J. Novak, a writer/producer/actor who suits up as one of the Inglourious Basterds in Quentin Tarantino's war film.



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Life with the Basterds

Big guns and Tarantino: B.J. Novak relives his Inglourious days

This summer, the big screen has played host to several cast members of NBC's The Office, including John Krasinski (Away We Go), Ed Helms (The Hangover) and Oscar Nunez (The Proposal), But for B.J. Novak, who also serves as a writer and producer on the hit series, getting time off to make Inglourious Basterds was a little bit trickier.

'It's especially hard for me because the writers don't really have any hiatus at all," Novak explains. "It's hard enough for the actors. But the writers only get a couple weeks a year off. Unless you can real-

ly cash in all your favours, like I Inglourious did with this movie."

opens in But for Notheatres vak, calling in those favours was completely worth it, as the opportunity to take part in a Quentin Tarantino film was just too good to pass up.

He's always been one of the five people I would invite to that fabled dinner,' Novak says And while on location in Europe, the director did not disappoint.



Director Quentin Tarantino on the set of his upcoming epic Inglourious Basterds.

next week "We would be out until four or five in the morning Berlin, eating, drinking, talking about movies -– or in my case listening about movies. But at some point, I was like, 'Dude I have to get to sleep,' you know?"

Getting to watch one of his role models in action was an invaluable experience. "It was a bit of a reminder of what made me want to be a writer in the first place, which was watching Pulp Fiction at

14," Novak says.
"On set, I always felt Tarantino the filmmaker was trying to outsmart Tarantino the film fan. He was playing chess against his young self sitting in a movie theatre wondering

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what was going to happen

As one of the titular Basterds, Novak had to suit up as part of a covert team of Jewish American soldiers led by Brad Pitt setting out to kill Nazis, which meant taking on the type of weapons training not necessarily offered to the staff of Dunder-Mifflin. "I'd certainly never fired

a machine gun before, and I'd certainly never scalped a Nazi before," Novak explains. Needless to say, it's not

the type of Second World War film audiences are probably familiar with.

"There's an awful lot of holocaust movies. There's

 Quentin Tarantino isn't afraid of long movies. After all, his last major project before 2007's Grindhouse project with Robert Rodriquez — was the epic Kill Bill, which had to be split into two films, each quite lengthy in their own right. "Every movie is different, every filmmaker is different," Tarantino says. "Everything needs the time that it needs."

But he had to know that when his latest, the bulging Second World War fantasy Inglourious Basterds, came out, people would be eyeballing the running time. In fact, since its debut at the Cannes Film Festival earlier this year, the director took another stab at trimming it and the movie ended up one minute longer.

"It's a minute longer than the Cannes cut, but it feels 20 minutes shorter," he insists. "I think that my movie is exactly the right length to tell the story."

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an awful lot of horror-ofwar movies. Some are brilliant, and some are pretentious and crappy - and they win awards anyway," Novak says. "This is very much not Schindler's List. I think anyone that sees Brad Pitt with that mustache knows this is not Schindler's List."

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Bandslam won't get you rocking

Bandslam

Director: Todd Graff Stars: Alyson Michalka, Vanessa Hudgens, Gaelen Connell Classification: PG Rating: 🕮 🎚

PHIL BROWN for Metro Canada

REVIEW Is it possible to make a movie about outsiders struggling to find a unique voice that also doubles as bubblegum pop for the masses? Well no, but exactly what writer/director Todd Graff tries to pull off with Band-

slam anyways. There's an idea with potential at the heart of Bandslam (which is presumably how the project started), but it's quickly lost behind glossy excess and generic screenwritingby-numbers. The filmmakers seem to desperately want to teach kids about obscure and interesting music despite the fact that Bandslam is a prime example the factory-produced culture marketed to teens that the movie's protagonists would hate.

Perpetually awkward Gaelan Connell stars as a high school reject and music obsessive who joins a new school that gives the local battle of the bands the same social importance as football.

He soon meets Disney Channel sweetheart Alyson Michalka, who convinces him to use his extensive musical knowledge to create a band of substance that will topple the high school hierarchy. It's not a terrible idea for a high school comedy and had it starred actual teens



Vanessa Hudgens stars in Bandslam.

who look like social misfits, it could have been a sweet little movie.

Unfortunately it stars a collection of impossibly beautiful 20-somethings trying to look like teenagers and has a muddled plot that takes an unnecessary and distracting

plunge into melodrama.

With a smart script and some talented young musicians in the lead, this could have been the movie that spawned thousands of hipster high schoolers. Instead it's mostly just mainstream posturing with the occasional unexpected reference to hipster icons like CBGBs and Evil Dead 2 (instantly making them all slightly less cool by association).

For a superficial teen pop movie in the High School: The Musical vain, it's not terrible and at least its heart is in the right place. But given the obvious ambitions of the filmmakers, Bandslam can't be viewed as any-thing other than a disappointment.

For Bandslam photos, a trailer and screen times or to buy tickets - visit metronews.ca/movies.

It delivers silly fun

The **Goods**

Director: Neal Brennan Stars: Jeremy Piven, Ed Helms Classification: STC Rating: 🕮 🕮

STEVE GOW for Metro Canada

REVIEW At some point over the past year, Chrysler really could've used a guy like Don Ready. The self-pro-claimed "goods," Ready may be arrogant, belligerent and completely overbearing but he can defi-nitely "move the metal."

In The Goods, Jeremy Piven (HBO's Entourage) plays the contemptuous lead character, piloting his no-madic pack of auto-sales guns-for-hire around the country to save the bacon of bankrupt lots everywhere. When they stop to help a dealer in Temecula,

Calif., Ready is faced with trying to rescue a dealership from its savage competitor (played by Alan Thicke, no less), he inadvertently falls for the owner's straight-arrow daughter.

Produced by Will Ferrell and filmmaker Adam McKay, The Goods certainly doesn't expand beyond for-mula in terms of plot twists or storylines. But it does carouse in the same childish, callow comedy as the pair's previous partnerships (like last summer's Step Brothers).

For that reason, The Goods may not be great cinema — in fact, it may be full of crude, politically incorrect one-note jokes but in that department, it does deliver the goods.

Juvenile, baseless and rather bone-headed, The Goods may be a lemon of a film, but it's a lemon that is agreeably entertaining.

Ghostbuster Hudson in Heroes

Heroes is gonna call a Ghostbuster in for a guest role this season. Actor Ernie Hudson, who played Winston Zeddemore in the Ghostbusters franchise, will join the NBC drama for a multi-episode arc. TVGUIDE.COM

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District 9 must visit

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In a parallel world thirty years ago, an alien ship settled over

Johannesburg, South Africa and hasn't moved from there since. The creatures from the ship, given the derogatory term "prawns" for their shellfish-like appearance are the last from their planet, relegated to living in slums, until a refugee relocation project changes everything.

District 9 achieves what

District 9 achieves what every action film this summer fails at. Produced by Lord of the Rings director Peter Jackson, District 9 grabs you by the collar and won't let go until the final frame.

It can back up its message with more than a few corny platitudes. Entirely devoid of cliché, and thematically chock full of innovation, District 9 blows the doors off even J.J. Abrams' finest work.

As someone who sees many films, to not be compelled, even once, to check the time was a testament to Vancouverbased Neill Blomkamp's relentlessly compelling filmmaking.

filmmaking.
Partially shot in documentary style, talking heads give the back story to this near thirty-year struggle between the two species.

The present day world presented is fantastically imaginative at the same time that it is completely



Vancouver-based director Neill Blomkamp's evokes South Africa's apartheid years in the sci-fi flick District 9.

realistic — with clear references to race relations and apartheid (the film's title is derived from an actual restricted area during apartheid, District 6).

While it's a relentless gorefest, the darker themes regarding human nature, a mercenary military, abuse of technology, social order and values are

intelligent and well-presented without turning the film into a condescendingly explicit "message film." If there's one sci-fi/action film you see this summer, this has to be the one.

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Time for the hormones

The Time Traveler's Wife

Director: Bruce Joel Rubin Stars: Rachel McAdams, Eric Bana

Classification: PG Rating: •••

DOROTHY ROBINSON for Metro Canada



REVIEW To put it bluntly: The Time Traveler's Wife makes absolutely no sense.

And yes, there is such a thing as a suspension of disbelief, but if you truly try to figure out this film — in which Clare (Rachel McAdams) marries Henry (a delicious Eric Bana), a timetraveler who has managed to stalk her throughout her life since she was a little girl — your head will likely explode and seep into your popcorn.

But no matter. The Time Traveler's Wife is not a movie for your brain; it is a movie for your ovaries. And if you let your mind take a nap and let your hormones steer the ship for a bit, you'll decide that gosh, is it ever good.

This is all thanks to Bana

This is all thanks to Bana and McAdams, who, just as Henry can transcend the laws of physics, can transcend a weak script and huge, cavernous plot holes



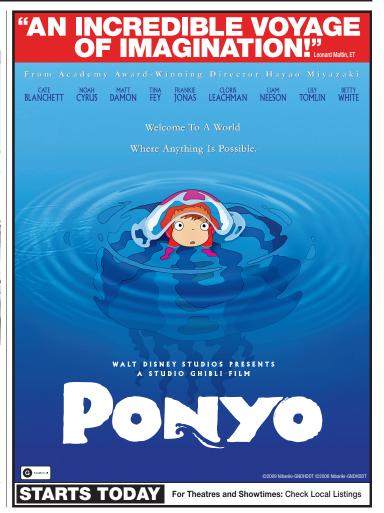
Rachel McAdams and Eric Bana star in The Time Traveler's Wife.

by sheer acting force. Additionally, Wife is aided by the fact that it's more stylized and nuanced than most romantic flicks of this ilk. And despite Bana and McAdams' beautiful earnestness, it's also able to make you laugh. But then it gets to the in-

But then it gets to the inevitable, heartbreaking end, and oh, how you'll cry. You'll cry, and cry, and cry until your brain says, "enough of this, hormones; I'm coming back," and switches on.

You'll start to feel a little ashamed that you let such a silly movie turn you into a blubbering idiot, but then that's why God made romance films (and McAdams) — to do exactly that.

For The Time Traveler's
Wife photos, trailer and
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Jon Heder is starring in Buddy Holly Is Alive And Well On Ganymede, a new sci-fi comedy. Based on the novel by Bradley
Denton, the story kicks off with a mysterious TV broadcast of Buddy Holly, who claims to be alive. EMPIREONLINE.COM.

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Japanese animation legend Hayao Miyazaki returns with Ponyo.



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Miyazaki's Ponyo spirits you away

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Director: Hayao Miyazaki Stars: Cate Blanchett, Liam

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CHRIS ALEXANDER for Metro Canada

In an age where the animated feature has steered into smooth, three-dimensional computer sculpted perfection, the warm, organic work of Hayao Miyazaki stands out all the more profoundly.

The Oscar winning artist (in 2003 for Spirited Away) is one of the most influential animators in film history, often hand drawing his own work while exploring personal themes of feminism and environ-

mentalism against a stirring fantasy backdrop.

His latest effort is Ponyo, a gentle, haunting, gorgeously rendered fairy tale, which mines Hans Christian Andersen's The Little Mermaid for its template, but is otherwise Miyazaki at his most joyous.

Deep within the ocean, little Ponyo — a fish with a red dress and a human face — pines for a life beyond the one her Robert Smith-coiffed Wizard father has designed for her. Bursting to the surface, she is befriended by little Sosuke whose love for her is so great that Ponyo willfully becomes a human girl to be with him.

But her rebellion has its price and the balance of nature becomes dangerously skewed. If there is a flaw at all in Ponyo, it's certainly none of its creator's doing, rather the

English dub is a bit wonky, with many A list Hollywood stars (including Cate Blanchett and Liam Neeson) trying their best with an often laughably translated script.

But this minor quibble aside, Miyazaki is in top form here. The story is delightful and imaginative, the characters warmly drawn, it positively erupts in colour and Joe Hisaishi's Wagnerian orchestral score pushes even the most benign of images into grand day-glo opera.

It's appropriate that Ponyo is being released in North America through Disney: Miyazaki, perhaps more than any other animator, is keeping Walt's spirit alive and well.

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A scene from animation guru Bill Plympton's latest work, Idiots and Angels.

Angels soars on dark humour

Idiots and **Angels**Pirector: Bill Plympton

Classification: STC
Rating: @@@½

CHRIS ALEXANDER for Metro Canada

REVIEW To fully appreciate Idiots and Angels it helps to be familiar with the style and sensibility of anima-

tion guru Bill Plympton. Plympton is one of the few filmmakers who has remained both proudly indie and financially successful, commanding a fervent following of cultists who swear by his jittery, arch, underground illustrations. Idiots and Angels is another fine addition to his animated cannon and, although in

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interviews he denies it, seems like his own late peri-

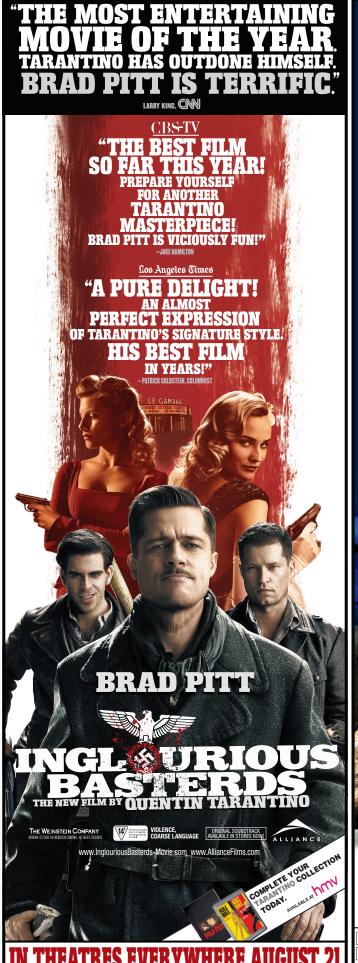
od grappling with God.

The plot sees a vulgar, barfly misanthrope who wakes one morning to find angel wings jutting out of his back. After hacking them off, they return again and inexplicably cause him to do good deeds, against his defiantly caustic will. As the man eventually begins to reach a kind of spiritual enlightenment, the scum that surround him violently attempt to literally clip his wings for keeps.

Along the way all manner of gruesome goings on flutter around the story's sidelines and even Plympton's trademark dog character (from, amongst others, the Oscar-nominated Guard Dog) makes an appearance.

Recovering from the Hollywood-flirting failure of his last feature, Hair High, Plympton has opted to strip down the colour palette (think dark, shadowy, sepia soaked Eastern European) and play the entire film without dialogue, only grunts set against a score that includes work by Tom Waits. If you're not already a fan, this probably won't convert you.

Idiots and Angels is only 78 minutes long and if the narrative can't quite sustain itself for feature length, Plympton's messy, dirty style (each frame is hand sketched) is consistently arresting. And in true Plympton fashion, no matter how grim the subject matter, humour is always the focus.



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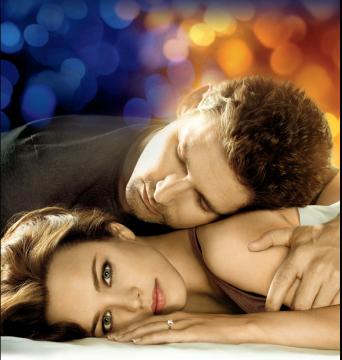
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Have romance, will time travel



'd bet everyone has considered the idea of going back in time to fix a wrong or reconnect with a lost love. Of course, time travel doesn't exist, but you wouldn't know that from popular culture.

Cher wanted to turn back time and "take back those words that hurt you," and on television Star Trek's characters crossed time zones more often than a pilot's Timex.

Time travel plays a role on the big screen as well and not just in hardcore sci-fi. This weekend's The Time Traveler's Wife is a science fiction romance, but the love story is foremost, the sci-fi second and believe it or not it's not the only one. They're not just motion pictures; call them emotion pictures.

In Kate & Leopold Hugh Jackman plays a 19th century man who discovers a wormhole into, not only 21st century New York, but also the heart of the very modern Meg Ryan. It's a romance, but plays up on the whole fish-out-of-water situation as Leopold must try and come to grips with modern day customs.

"Are you suggesting madam that there exists a law compelling a gentleman to lay hold of canine bowel movements?"

Peggy Sue Got Married was played for laughs by stars Kathleen Turner, Nicolas Cage and director Francis Ford Coppola but the underlying message is profound. Turner plays the title character, a 43-year-old woman on the brink of divorce from Charlie, her childhood sweetheart.

After fainting at her high



In Kate and Leopold, Hugh Jackman's character travels from the 19th to the 21st century.

school reunion she awakens to find herself flung back in time; she's returned to high school, but this time around she has a world of perspective under her belt. "I am a grown woman with a lifetime of experience that you can't understand," she tells Charlie.

The humour in this underrated classic springs from real emotions. Roger

Ebert summed it up when he described the time bending first kiss between Peggy Sue and her future ex-husband.

"Imagine kissing someone for the first time," he "Imagine kissing someone for the first time after you have already kissed him or her for the last time." "

Roger Ebert on Peggy Sue Got Married

wrote, "after you have already kissed him or her for the last time."

Such is the twisty-turny logic of time travel romance. Logic, however, really has no place in these stories.

The yearning to revisit the past is a romantic quest, a feeling based on emotional sentiment that defies reason.

As sci-fi writer George Alec Effinger wrote in The Bird of Time, "The past... is the home of romance."

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Day lacks tight narrative

Victoria **Day**

Director: David Bezmozgis
Stars: Mark Randall, Holly Deveaux, John Mavro
Classification: STC
Rating: ##%

PHIL BROWN

REVIEW In 2004 David Bezmozgis burst onto the literary scene with the critically acclaimed bestseller Natasha And Other Stories. The book earned the author instant credibility in the literary world and now he's hoping for a similarly strong film debut with Victoria Day.

While it is certainly

filled with wonderfully authentic moments that clearly came from the author's pen, the film simply doesn't hold together well. It's unsurprising that Bezmozgis' greatest success came from writing short stories, because Victoria Day is filled with interesting sequences and characters. It just lacks a compelling narrative thread to hold them all together.

Mark Rendall stars as Ben Spektor, a Toronto teen who lends money to a friend to buy drugs at a concert in the first scene of the film and never sees him again. What follows is



Critically acclaimed writer David Bezmozgis makes his feature film debut with Victoria Day, a gritty coming-of-age tale.

a week of uncertainty as Spektor struggles with the guilt he feels, while also trying to deal with his recent immigrant parents, a new girlfriend, his burned out buddies, and the pressures of playing high school hockey.

It's all pretty standard coming-of-age stuff with Ben learning a few lessons about responsibility and maturity. Ben's journey is an obvious one, but it wouldn't have necessarily been noticeable if the character wasn't so subdued and passive. It's clear that Ben is emotionally numb and lost in the confusion of adolescence, but it's also hard to care about a character who is so indifferent to

Bezmozgis is able to get

some great naturalistic performances out of most of his cast (especially veteran theatre actors Sergiy Kotelenets and Nataliya Alyexeyenko as Ben's assimilating immigrant parents and first-time actor John Mavro as Ben's wisecracking best friend).

The writer/director also crafts a few visually impressive cinematic sequences such as a late night fireworks fight between Ben and his friends that's ripped from the memory of countless Canadian teens.

There are enough standout scenes and sequences to suggest that Bezmozgis has promise as a filmmaker. It's just a shame that he felt forced to follow an overdone coming-of-age structure so slavishly here.

Maggie Q goes to Priest

Maggie Q is joining Paul Bettany and Cam Gigandet in the horror western Priest. Adapted by Cory Goodman from a TokyoPop comic, Priest is set in a world ravaged by war between man and vampires. REUTERS

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Shorts: One for the kids

STEVE GOW for Metro Canada

In the upcoming family film Shorts, a group of kids find a magical stone that enables them to wish for anything they want. It's a quandary Jon Cryer would likely never want to find himself in.

'If I could wish for anything, what would it be?" ponders the actor when posed the hypothetical proposition. "You're the first guy who has literally "You're the

asked me that question and I don't have a good answer."
Fair enough. The star of

TV's Two and a Half Men would rather discuss working with enigmatic filmmaker Robert Rodriguez anvhow.

Shorts (which hits theatres next Friday) is the director's first foray in the family genre since he turned out The Adventures of Sharkboy and Lavagirl in 2005. It's also decidedly less adult content for the man more famous for such violent fare as Sin City.

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"I try to vary it up," admitted Rodriguez. "You do want to take a break from one type of moviemaking to another and because I have kids and I know that kids, in general, love these movies, I want to give them something to mark their child-hood."

Rodriguez is a bit of a kid himself. In fact, on set, he appears as a child in a sandbox playing with every aspect of moviemak-

ing, be it directing, editing, writing the music or designing the poster.

"He does everything," said Cryer. "I don't think

he sleeps either ... we'd shoot a scene, he'd come back the next day and show us a rough cut of the scene which means he was cutting it all night and then he'd say, 'Oh yeah, I scored it as well.'"

While some may expect Rodriguez's fractured du-ties might dilute his attention to the acting. Cryer insists he never felt deprived



of the filmmaker's attention. In fact, if he possessed that wishing rock, he might even ask to reunite with the famed director

'You just get this feeling that he's like Santa Claus

and he's in charge of the whole workshop," said Cryer. "As an actor, instead of being this little cog in the wheel, you get the big picture while you're doing it which is great."







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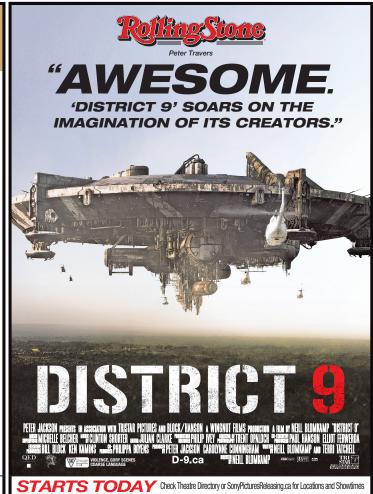
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Patrick Duffy, who starred in the long-running primetime soap Dallas, is making his studio feature debut in the comedy You Again. Jimmy Wolk also has come aboard the Disney feature, which is being directed by Andy Fickman. REUTERS

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Post Grad a learning curve

Gilford, Bledel cherish chance to act with veterans

NED EHRBAR Metro World News

Before Zach Gilford landed the role of the best friend and eventual love interest to Alexis Bledel in Post Grad, he had to prove to the filmmakers that he and his prospective leading lady worked well together on screen.

together on screen.
"I had to go in with Alexis for a 'chemistry read,"
Gilford remembers. "And I thought she hated me."

Bledel, small and soft-spoken in person with piercing blue eyes, has to stop the interview right there. She turns to to Gilford. "Why did you think that?" she asks, sounding concerned. "Because you're shy," he

says.

Bledel had to shed that

shyness for Post Grad, in which she stars as recent college grad Ryden Malby, whose plans are derailed when she doesn't land her dream job. Moving back in with her parents, Ryden suffers through a host of indignities in interviews and odd jobs, all the while ignoring the gorgeous guy right in front of her.

"She's very distracted," Bledel explains. "I would say damagingly so."

Playing the lead in a film like this was an opportunity Bledel didn't want to miss. "It's rare to read a script with a female protagonist in this age group," she says. "A lot of times you have a role that's secondary to the man's role. It's nice when the female character has her own storyline as well"



Alexei Bledel plays a college grad and Zach Gilford her love interest in Post Grad.

Another reason both actors were eager to jump on board was the impressive supporting cast. Rounding out the Malby clan are Michael Keaton, Jane Lynch and Carol Burnett. Keaton in particular was a standout for the young stars

"I had such a good time working with him," Bledel says. "He was ab-libbing so much, I couldn't keep a straight face. I ruined so many of his great takes by just losing it."

Gilford could barely concentrate around the veteran actor.

"I felt like a total dork around Michael Keaton. I was totally star-struck," he admits. "I'd be having a talk with him about something totally normal, and in the back of my head I'd be like, I'm talking to Batman.' I wanted to be like, dude, Christian Bale is a

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chump. You are Batman."
Gilford thinks about this
for a moment before
adding, "Don't tell Christian Bale I said that."

Though they couldn't have possibly seen the recession coming when they made the movie, both stars admit it's only made Post Grad more timely

Grad more timely. "The timing's kind of crazy," Gilford says. "I mean, it's always kind of an appropriate thing. That's what a lot of people go through when they finish school. But now it's just, like, everybody's going through that. There's a lot fewer people that have their path actually set up for them."

Bledel agrees. "We filmed this before the economic crisis," she says. "It's always been difficult to get a job. But now the situation's much worse."

 Post Grad opens in theatres next week.



Much to chew on in Food Inc.

ood Inc.

Director: Robert Kenner
Classification: STC
Rating: ***

KEVIN COURRIER

It's often been said that you are what you eat. But after a screening of Robert Kenner's incendiary documentary Food Inc. — which examines how the fast food industry radically transformed food production in North America into a stomach-churning enterprise — you just might want to redefine those terms.

While Food Inc. is thankfully not alarmist in tone, the facts it uncovers are nevertheless alarming.

Using as his guides author Eric Schlosser (Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal) and UC Berkeley School of Journalism Professor Michael Pollan (The Omnivore's Delight), Kenner examines how the mass-produced food we now consume is not only lacking in proper nutrients; it may also contain potentially harmful bacteria.

The story begins with McDonalds, who set the template for cheap assem-



A scene from Food Inc, which examines how the fast food industry transformed food production.

bly-line food production, then shows how American farms have now become equally uniform — and at the horrible price of creating unhealthy working conditions for both workers and livestock.

We may end up spending less for the food, but we pay dearly for it with increasing cases of diabetes, obesity and E. coli outbreaks.

It's unfortunate, howev-

er, that because many of the corporate industrial heads like Monsanto refused to be interviewed for the film, Food ends up lacking dimension. Like An Inconvenient Truth, Food Inc. lays out its argument clearly, but it's only one side of the story.

To be a truly great documentary, Food Inc. needs a few other conflicting morsels of thought to chew on.

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OTTAWA

BYTOWNE CINEMA 325 Rideau St., 613-789-3456

Away We Go (14A) Thu 6:50 Empties (Czech w/e.s.t.) (14A) Fri 9 Sat 4:50 Sun 2:30-8:40 Mon 6:50 Tue 9 Wed 6:50 Thu

Enlighten Up! (PG) Fri 5 Sat 7 Sun 6:45

Fargo (R) Mon 9 Tue 4:45 Food, Inc. (PG) Fri 6:55 Sat 2:45-8:55 Sun 4:40 Mon 4:45 Tue 6:55 Wed 4:45-9 Thu 9

CANADIAN FILM INSTITUTE

2 Daly Ave., 613-232-6727

No films showing.

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE

240 McLeod St., 613-566-4700

Creature Features Volume 2: Armory, Ears, Feathers 8 Scales, Fur & Skin, Headgear (STC) Fri-Thu 9:30-10:30 Fri-Thu 10-11

Power of the Earth: Rare Earth (STC) Fri-Tue 11:30-1:30-3:30 Wed-Thu 6 Fri-Tue 12:30-2:30-4:30 Wed-Thu 7

CENTRETOWN MOVIES

Dundonald Park, 512 Somerset St. W., 613-232-1534, centretownmovies.org

Mad City Chickens Fri 9 Roman Holiday & Street Dreamz Sat 9

COLISEUM OTTAWA 3090 Carling Ave., 613-596-9475

Bandslam (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:55-7:05-9:35

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The Hangover (14A) Fri-Thu 10:25

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:25-6:55

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A Perfect Getaway (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:05-6:50-9:45

The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:15-7:10-9:50 The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:15-10:10

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Night's Dream (STC) Sat 11 Ponyo (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:10-7-9:20

The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-6:50-9:40

The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:10-9:15

MAYFAIR THEATRE 1074 Bank St., 613-730-3403,

Idiots and Angels (STC) Fri 9 Sat 7 Sun 9

Is Anybody There? (PG) Tue 9 Wed-Thu 7

Manhattan (STC) Sun 5:15 Mon

Martin (STC) Sat 11
Sound of Music (Sing-A-Long) (STC) Sun 1:30
The Switchblade Sisters (STC) Fri 11
Victoria Day (STC) Fri 7 Sat 9
Sun-Tue 7 Wed-Thu 9:10

RAINBOW CINEMAS

St. Laurent Centre, 1200 St. Laurent Blvd., 613-688-0850

Angels & Demons (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10-1-6:30

Brüno (18A) Fri-Thu 5:20-9:35 **Monsters vs. Aliens** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-2:40

Moon (14A) Fri-Thu 2:45-9:25 **My Sister's Keeper** (PG) Fri-Wed 10:30-12:50-3:05-7:10 Thu 12:50-3:05-7:10 Thu 10:30

Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) Fri-Thu 10:20-12:30-4:50-7

Orphan (14A) Fri-Thu 4-9:15 Public Enemies (14A) Fri-Thu 10-5-8

Star Trek (PG) Fri-Thu 10:40-1:10-3:50-6:40-9:10

RIDEAU CENTRE CINEMAS

50 Rideau St., 613-234-3712

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The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Thu 10:35-1:05-3:35-7:05-9:25

GATINEAU

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF CIVILIZATION

100 rue Laurier, 819-776-7010

Merveilles des Mers (STC) Fri 1-7 Sat 1-6 Sun 10-1 Mon 1-6 Tue 1 Wed 1-9 Thu 1

Momies: Secret des Pharaons (STC) Fri-Sat 10-4 Sun

Mummies: Secrets of the Pharaohs (STC) Fri 11-3-6 Sat 12-3-7 Sun 12-3-6

Mysteres des Grands Lacs (STC) Mon 4-7 Tue 4-8 Wed 10-4 Thu 4

Mysteries of the Great Lakes (STC) Mon 10-12-3-8 Tue 10-12-3-6-9 Wed 12-3-6 Thu 10-12-3-6

Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (G) Sat 8 Thu 8

Under the Sea (STC) Fri 12-2-5 Sat-Sun 11-2-5 Mon 11-2-5-9 Tue 11-2-5-7 Wed 11-2-5-7-8 Thu 11-2-

Une nuit au musée: la bataille du Smithsonian (G) Fri 8 Sun 7

CINÉMA DES GALERIES D'AYLMER 400 boul. Wilfrid-Lavigne, 819-248-2526

Bandslam (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3-6:40-9

G.l. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Les grandes chaleurs (STC) Fri-Thu 1-3:10-7-9:10

Les pieds dans le vide (STC) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:30-7:10-9:30

CINÉ-STARZ

1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

Bruno v.f. (16+) Fri-Thu 4:20-7:30-9

7:30-9 **Là-Haut** (G) Fri-Thu 12-1:45-

3:30-5:15 **OSS 117: Rio ne répond plus** (G) Fri-Thu 1:55-5:15-7-8:45 **La proposition** (G) Fri-Thu 12-5:45-7:35-9:25

Transformers: La revanche (G) Fri-Thu 1:50-7-9:30

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> CINÉ-PARC TEMPLETON DRIVE-IN 1779 boul. Maloney Est, 819-663-0915

Dance Flick (13+) Fri-Tue G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (STC) Fri-Tue OSS 117: Rio ne répond

plus (G) Fri-Tue Les pieds dans le vide (G)

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De père en flic (G) Fri-Thu 1-3:30-7:15-9:50 **District 9 vf** (13+) No Passes Fri 12:15-3:50-7-9:40 No Passes Sat 12:15-3:50-6:55-9:40 No Passes Sun-Thu 12:15-3:50-7-9:40

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(STC) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:15-6:50-9:35 **Les grandes chaleurs** (G) Fri-Thu 12:45-3-6:30-9

Harry Potter et le Prince de sang-mêlé (G) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-8

Julie & Julia (v.f.) (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 3:20-8:45
Les pieds dans le vide (G)
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Le temps n'est rien (G) Fri-

Thu 1:10-3:45-6:45-9:20 **La vérité toute crue** (13+) Fri-Thu 1:15-6:20

STARCITÉ HULL 115 boul. du Plateau, 819-770-1090,

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Thu 1-4-7-10:10 **Funny People** (14A) Fri-Thu 9:50

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The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-4:10-7:10-10:20 The Ugly Truth (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:30-7:30-10

GLOUCESTER

SILVERCITY

2385 City Park Dr., 613-688-8800

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:10-6:25-9 Bandslam (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-

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Aliens in the Attic (PG) SDDS Digital Fri-Sun 11:25-1:35 SDDS Digital Mon-Thu 1:35 Bandslam (PG) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:05-1:50-4:25-7:15-9:50 SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:50-4:25-7:15-9:50 District 9 (14A) SDDS Digital, Special Engagement Fri-Sun 11:1-

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L. Live on the Inside, Sugarland; 2. NOW 31, Various Artists; 3. Gloriana, Gloriana; 4.The E.N.D., The Black Eyed Peas; 5. Only By the Night, Kings of Leon. METRO NEWS SERVICES



Music

Breeders are back

Kelley Deal spins a yarn

KEITH CARMAN for Metro Canada

Over the course of their 20 year history, alternative rockers The Breederswell, mainstays/twin sisters Kim and Kelley Deal have had some pretty rock 'n' roll moments: Kim's meteoric rise, fall and rejuvenation with legendary act The Pixies, a chart-topping sophomore album Last Splash in 1993, drug busts, rehab stints ... the list goes on.

When discussing their forthcoming tour though, Kelley reveals what is probably the least expected rock instance ever.

"I'd love it if you throw me your yarn," she gushes enthusiastically. would be so awesome. Canada has the best yarn I've ever seen in my entire life. My old roommate is from Toronto and one day she brought me some wool. It's the most amazing stuff I've ever seen.'

Rock bands demanding the surrender of, say, undergarments and narcotics is rather commonplace. But wool? How far has this eco-rock movement gone?

Yet with a little delving, Deal's fancy for textiles and ensuing book, last year's Bags That Rock:



The Breeders are touring in support of latest venture, the four-song EP dubbed Fate To Fatal (4AD).

Knitting On The Road With Kelley Deal, is understandable. Some years back, she embraced the pastime after quitting heroin and earning an important stamp on her rock 'n roll pass: Ŝobriety.

Were it not for picking up a different set of needles, the 48-year-old Dayton, Ohio, native admits that prison and quite possibly a fatality could have been the end result. It's a sentiment alluded to in the title of The Breeders' latest venture, a four-song EP dubbed Fate To Fatal

Not to make it sound like there was some sort of "We don't put something out for any other reason than we like this clutch of songs and we want people to hear them."

design behind the affair. Deal notes that it, along their less-thanprodigious output of three EPs and four albums in two decades is a matter of happenstance.

I wish we were patient. It would sound like we have a master plan; someone's in charge," she admits. "We don't put something out for any other reason than we like this clutch of songs and we

want people to hear them. When you do something like that, it seems thoughtful but we're really just pleasing ourselves."

To that extent, Deal notes that "pleasing themselves" (the band is completed by drummer Jose Medeles and bassist Mando Lopez) has turned in some rather unusual results on Fate To Fatal: moodier, more elongated tracks as opposed to their

renowned upbeat blasts of pop a la Cannonball. Promising these results extend into their live show, she laughs off the band's unpredictable behaviour with upbeat humility.

"We're really getting strange ... weird and jammy. I love typical two-anda-half minute pop and punk songs but you also want more dynamics as a musician. We want to explore and test ourselves so we're experimenting more onstage. Maybe we'll do a double-album. How awesome would that be? A live double-album of us jamming. We're gonna be the next Phish!



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Legendary guitarist, inventor Les Paul dies

Legendary guitarist and inventor Les Paul, who pioneered the design of solid body Gibson electric guitars that bore his name, died yester-

day at a New York hospital of complications from pneumonia. He was 94.

The rock 'n' roll icon was playing regular gigs at a New York City nightclub as recent- Les Paul ly as a few months

ago until he began battling a series of illnesses that put him "in and out of the hospital," his attorney Michael Braunstein

Paul had been a dominant force in the music business since World War Two. He and wife Mary Ford enjoyed a string of hits in the 1940s and 1950s that included Mockin' Bird Hill and the

influential How High the Moon, which featured some of Paul's recording innovations, such as multi-layered tracks.

A passionate tinkerer, Paul created one of the first solidbody electric guitars in 1941, but it took nearly 10 years be-fore he, working with Gibson Guitar Corp., perfected it. In 1952, the Les Paul

Goldtop became an instant sensation that still impacts music, especially rock 'n' roll.

In the years that fol-lowed, Gibson released Paul's Black Beauty, the Les Paul Custom, Les Paul Junior, and 1958's Les Paul Standard, with its revolutionary humbucker pickups and sunburst design that has remained unchanged for 50 years.

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Music



Films like The Breakfast Club provided a serious musical education for teenagers.

The musical legacy of director John Hughes



ince the death of di-

rector/writer John Hughes last week,

there have been

many tributes on

how his half-dozen Brat

Pack movies of the '80s so

realistically articulated the

thoughts and fears of high school kids. No mindless

slasher plots or Porky's

clones here. Instead, Hugh-

es' films offered some gen-

tle life lessons in ways that weren't condescending or

And let's not forget how

"Hughes' films offered some gentle life lessons in ways that weren't condescending or preachy."

formers alike.

The list of then-new U.K. bands from these sound-tracks reads like a "who's who" of the '80s: The Smiths, OMD, the Psychedelic Furs, Spandau Ballet, New Order, Echo and the Bunnymen, the Specials, Billy Idol, Flesh for Lulu, the English Beat, Big Audio Dynamite, General Public. For many North Americans, their first exposure to these groups came courtesy of a John Hughes movie.

Where the right existing song couldn't be found, it was commissioned. Keith Forsey — Donna Summer's old drummer and the Oscar-winning co-writer of Flashdance ... What a Feeling - was asked to provide a title song for The Breakfast Club. He offered the performance to both Bryan Ferry and Billy Idol, both of whom turned it down. When he gave it to his distant third choice, Simple Minds turned "Don't You (Forget About

Me)" into a worldwide No. 1 hit and the biggest song of their career.

Hughes also had a soft spot for an L.A. band called Oingo Boingo, using them in almost all his Brat Pack movies. Now leader Danny Elfman is one of Hollywood's most prolific scorers of films and TV programs, not to mention the author of the theme for The Simpsons.

If you ever find yourself wondering what the mid-'80s sounded like, rent a John Hughes movie. Or better yet, see if you can find the soundtrack CDs. The only exception is Ferris Bueller's Day Off, which never saw a companion soundtrack because Hughes thought that the mix of music used in the film was too weird. Too bad, too, because it was the best-ever use of the Beatles' version of Twist and Shout.

The Ongoing History Of New Music can be heard on stations across Canada. Read more at ongoinghistory.com and exploremusic.com

these movies — Sixteen Candles, The Breakfast Club, Weird Science, Pret-

ty in Pink and Some Kind of Wonderful — all produced soundtracks that provided a serious musical education to the kids who would soon grow up to be Gen-Xers. grunge-y Α soundtrack to a Hughes

movie opened doors for

both listeners and per-

Rapper C-Murder convicted

CRIME Rapper Corey (C-Murder) Miller was found guilty of second-degree murder, a verdict stemming from a fan shooting in 2002. He faces a mandatory life sentence.

Miller — a former No Limit rapper and the youngest brother of Master P (Percy Miller) and Silkk Shocker (Vyshonn Miller) — had been charged with killing 16-year-old Steve Thomas at a New Orleans nightclub. According

to the New Orleans Times Picayune, the jury handed down a 10-2 guilty verdict, but Judge Hans Liljeberg called for more deliberation. After returning to the deliberation room, a guilty verdict was reached again. The judge denied a defense motion for a mistrial.

Miller was first brought to trial for Thomas' murder in 2003, and he changed his rapper name from "C-Murder" to "C-Miller." REUTERS





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Kourtney Kardashian is pregnant with her first child. The reality TV star — who hasn't been in a relationship since January — was "shocked" to discover she is expecting a baby while on holiday in Florida. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Television

What would Don Draper do?

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Jon Hamm has been getting a lot of attention since his hit series, Mad

Men. debuted two years

ago. He's won a Golden Globe and been nominated for an Emmy twice, he's hosted Saturday Night Live, and his now-iconic character, Don Draper, has launched

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a veritable cult devoted to the well-dressed, self-assured advertising executive. There's even a website set up in tribute, What Would Don Draper Do?

"The character certainly has resonated in a much larger way than I think anybody really expected," Hamm says modestly, taking a break between shooting scenes for the third season, which premieres Sunday.

Entertainment

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The square-jawed, affable 38-year-old actor who spent years toiling in anonymous bit parts on various TV shows before landing Mad Men — is still incredibly appreciative of what the series has done for him. "When something like this happens, this sort of 'overnight success,' you pop up on a lot more people's radar. Your phone starts ringing a lot more," he says.

9:00

Wild Roses

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One of those phone calls was from Lorne Michaels, asking Hamm to host SNL, an experience he savs seems "almost like it nev-

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"That show has so much history. says. "It was like summer

Mad Men season three premieres this Sunday, Check local listings.

er happened." I've watched that show since I was a little kid," Hamm

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all Riit we have to back to work sometime. And a look around the sleek Sterling Cooper offices - hidden inside soundstage in

Downtown Los Angeles clears up some of the confusion left by last season's cliffhanger. Don Draper's name is still on his office door, and the calendar on his desk says it's 1963, meaning the series has jumped forward again.

Setting the new season in 1963 raises a lot of obvious questions about big historical events, but the actor is understandably cagev about what will factor into the show.

"The challenge of the show is to show the big events happening, but you don't want to show them in the way we've all seen them happen," Hamm says. "For some people, they didn't hear about Kennedy's assassination on that day."

Whether that's a clue or not as to upcoming story lines, Hamm won't say. He's more concerned with the development of his character, anyway. And after last season's partial rec-



Jon Hamm and January Jones

onciliation with his wife after she kicked him out, it looks like we can expect to see Don Draper trying to behave himself. "He's trying to be a better person. he's trying to be a better husband, father and man," Hamm explains. "And maybe he's not cut out for

Hamm says he relishes leading the series' outstanding ensemble cast. "No one's on set more than me, so a lot of people are taking their cues from the way I am on set," Hamm explains. "And I love that. I'm glad that I'm the person that gets to set that tone, because who wants to go to work where your boss is a douche bag?

His better half

A stunning blonde beauty on screen and off, January Jones has made quite a splash as Betty Draper, the repressed, cuckolded housewife on TV's Mad Men.

For two seasons, viewers have watched Betty's perfect suburban world crumble around her. But season three offers a new challenge for

"Without giving too much away, so far she's been happy. which has been bizarre for me to play," Jones says.

After last season's surprise Betty impulsively deciding



to cheat on her husband -Jones knows to keep on her

"I've learned not to expect anything, just because what I expect will be very wrong," the 31-year-old South Dakota native and former Abercrombie & Fitch model says. "I just expect it to be good, and it always is."

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Entertainment in brief

FILM INDUSTRY After a decade of watching film production slowly abandon Hollywood. lured away by financial incentives first in Canada, then other states, California hopes to woo the movies back home. The number of studio feature films shot in California has dropped to less than half of what it was

in 2003.



Denzel Washington

Denzel Washington might be making a forav into series television. Washington is considering an executive producer role on Billy Stiles, a cop drama from TV writer Virail Williams. The ensemble drama centers on the

DRAMA Oscar winner

title character, a genius gang member-turned-cop.

REUTERS

Kelly Osbourne reality show

Kelly Osbourne is set to let the world into her life again — she's reportedly signed up to star in her own U.K. reality show. It will co-star her fiancé, model Luke Worrall. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK



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Going Out

Mix of Six

Ottawa Caribbean Festival

When: Friday to Sunday Where: Festival Plaza at city

Experience a weekend of music, masquerade and Caribbean culture at the annual Caribe-Expo. The festival kicks off with a midnight boat cruise aboard the Ottawa River Queen on Friday. For tickets visit caribe-expo.ca.

Roller Derby

When: Saturday, doors open at 7 p.m., game starts at 8

Where: John G. Mlacak Centre (Kanata)

Enjoy a night of action packed roller derby as Ottawa's Slaughter Daughters take on Vermont's Green Mountain Derby Dames. Tickets \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. Visit rideauvalleyrollergirls.com.

Avant Green! Eco

Art Fair When: Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: Minto Park (Elgin and Gilmour)

Ottawa's Avant-Green open-air eco art show and sale will feature works by a number of artists that use non-toxic, reused and found materials to create original, environmentally-friendly "green" art.

Dino Dress-Up Day

When: Saturday, 1 to 3 p.m. Where: Canadian Museum of Nature

Come to the Canadian Museum of Nature dressed up as your favourite di-nosaur for your chance to win four free tickets to Walking With Dinosaurs: The Arena Spectacular at the Scotiabank Place.

Art on the Farm

When: Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6

Where: Central Experimental

Fifty artists working in various formats will display and sell their works under the trees of the arboretum. Admission and parking are

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

Avatar trailer ROMO It's a Hollywood first. Starting Monday, 20th Century Fox will distribute free tickets online for a 16-minute sneak peak into James Cameron's gazilliondollar opus-in-the-making. The trailer for the 3-D sci-fi thriller is scheduled to hit IMAX theatres on Aug. 21. The tickets will be available through avatarmovie.com.

Nice, Nice, Very Nice: Dan Mangan ALBUM Very nice indeed. The Vancouver singer-songwriter's album of earnest, heartfelt songs is devoid of the hipster irony that plagues so much of the indie music scene, and should get him the audience he deserves. Standout cuts: Robots and Sold.

Mr. Darcy, Vampyre: Amanda Grange BOOK The author of Mr. Darcy's Diary takes another bite out of Jane Austen's Pride and Prejudice. In this "fresh" sequel to the classic novel. newlywed heroine Elizabeth finds out that her hubby has a dark secret — he belongs to a family of vampires. The resulting quest to break that curse sets the action.



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Mad Men Third Season premiere rv Is it the beginning of the end of Sterling Cooper? Or will Mad Man No. 1 Don Draper save the day again? All will be revealed (or not) come Sunday when the Emmynominated AMC show kicks off its third season at 10 p.m. ET. If you are not a fan yet, here's your chance to get hooked.

VD Meet the man who launched a thousand controversies, as he pulls no punches in revealing himself, warts and all. In this engrossing documentary, director James Toback simply lets the former heavyweight boxing champion do the talking, touching upon everything from Tyson's bleak childhood to his rape conviction. A true knockout.

District 9 FILM Canadian director Neill Blomkamp takes the familiar aliens vs. humans story to his native South Africa, drawing sharp parallels with the country's history of apartheid. Some critics are already calling it the new Bladerunner — that is, the next great science fiction film.







After denying rumours of a Hawaiian wedding, Anna Faris and her actor beau Chris Pratt now say they've tied the knot. "Anna Faris and Chris Pratt were married in a small ceremony in Bali on July 9," the actress' rep confirmed. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Reunion out of the question: Kate came up. It's not ideal and

ALL IN THE PAST She's still wearing his ring, but don't expect Kate and Jon Gosselin to ever get back together, usmagazine.com reports.

On Thursday's Live! With Regis and Kelly, Regis Philbin caught Kate Gosselin off guard when he told her he thinks Jon will ask for her back and they'll "live happily ever after.

Gosselin paused, sighed and then paused again.

"You know, we definitely have different goals at this point," she said. "A lot has changed, a lot of unexpected things have

I can't say that I think you're right at all.'

Philbin then asked Gosselin how she would respond if Jon told her to forget about the past and that he wanted to rebuild a future together.

"I don't think I can answer that," she replied. Later, she added, "We can only go forward; we can't go back.'

she But said she is aiming to film more scenes with her ex on the show.

"It's still going to be a lot of 'Jon and Kate,' but it's going to be 'Jon and the kids' and 'Kate and the kids,' she said. "I still hold out hope that it will be times where it will be 'Jon and Kate and the kids.' My main goal is to do holidays and things together. I don't know, really. I'm going into uncharted territory sort of. I'm going to be with the kids every second METRO NEWS SERVICES

Douglas family speaks out

HEARTBREAK Actor Michael Douglas is finally speaking out about his son Cameron's recent arrest for possession and attempt to distribute meth. "The family is devastated and very disappointed in Cameron's re-cent behavior," Douglas and his ex-wife, Diandra Luker, said in a statement. "Any family who has dealt with substance

knows how devastating it can be.

Meanwhile, Cameron has gotten in even more trouble, after his girlfriend allegedly caught smuggling heroin to was him in jail hidden in an electric tooth-brush, according to People. He was re-cently transferred

to a federal prison facility in New York City. METRO WORLD

Playgirl Heidi plans 'upgrades'

SOME ROLE MODEL Heidi Pratt appears in the September issue of Playboy, but she didn't take it all off for the famous adult magazine.

The body is a beautiful creation," she said in the issue. "If anything, the reason I didn't show everything is because I plan to

get a few more upgrades." She claims she wants to get her breast implants replaced at some point as a present to her husband, Spencer. "I think I want to go bigger on my boobs for (Spencer), Montag said. "Let's do (another Playboy photo shoot) again when I get the up-

grades. WORLD NEWS

Party over at Guy's beloved bar?

CONSEQUENCES Guy Ritchie faces losing the liquor license on his beloved London pub following a string of complaints from local residents, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

Ritchie purchased The Punch Bowl in Mayfair while he was married to pop superstar Madonna, and was allowed to keep the drinking establishment in their divorce settlement.

But the venue is facing possible closure after officials at the local council were inundated by letters from disgruntled residents complaining about noise levels coming from the pub at night. A source told London newspaper the Evening Standard:

"The neighbours are fed up with the racket (noise), which sometimes goes on into the early hours.' Au-

thorities at Westminster

Council confirmed they have received 37 complaints about Punch Bowl and have

abuse

taken action by placing a microphone in a nearby building to monitor noise levels from the pub over the next few weeks.

METRO NEWS

Yankees wives' club split on Kate

CATTY Kate Hudson may be a winner to the wives of Alex Rodriguez's fellow Yankees, but teammate Derek Jeter's girlfriend, actress Minka Kelly, isn't warming to her, according to Page Six.

"I don't know if it's a personal thing, or iust an extension of

the ongoing A-Rod/Jeter rivalry," a source said. "People are choosing sides."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Miley and Justin reignite flames?

FLIP-FLOP Just when Miley Cyrus may have been rekindling things with Nick Jonas, she's reached out to another ex. The star has been swapping flirty Twitter messages with ex Justin Gaston. Earlier this week, Cyrus posted a note to Gaston reading, "I am in between happy

and sad today. I'm happy because I love you. I'm sad because I can't get enough of you." metro WORLD NEWS

Brad for New Orleans mayor?

PUBLIC SERVICE Despite a grassroots campaign to elect him as mayor of New Orleans, Brad Pitt insists

he's not interested.
"I don't have a chance," Pitt explained to Ann Curry on the Today show. "It's not what I do best." When pressed on the matter. Pitt

ioked, "I'm running on the gay marriage, no religion, legalization and taxation of marijuana platform.

> METRO WORLD NEWS

'Paps ruined my relationship'

BLAME GAME Heroes star Hayden Panettiere blames the paparazzi and her fans for spoiling her love life

The actress split from her co-star, Milo Ventimiglia, in

February.

"It's very, very

ple have no idea what they do to peoples' relationships. They destroy them. The pa-parazzi and the public," she told Company magazine.

The public wants to read about your personal life, and the paparazzi give it to them by nosing into your personal life and saying things that are just not true and horrible." METRO WORLD NEWS

I swear it wasn't pee: Jaime **MISINTERPRETATION?** Jamie

Pressly is speaking out over leaked photos that some thought showed her urinating on a sidewalk outside West Hollywood club the Abbey.

The My Name is Earl star insists it's all just a misunderstanding and that the liquid was from a bottle of water she poured

out.
That is me doing my bridal shower," the actress explained on Twitter.

"Do you think I would really pee in the entryway Abbey in broad daylight?

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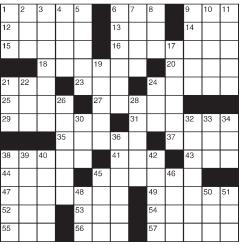






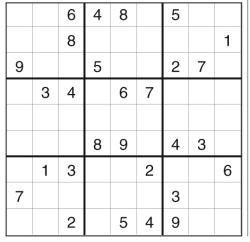
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Sudoku

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Take Five



PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:





Herb-Crusted Roast Beef

INGREDIENTS

1 top round beef roast (about 3 lb/1.5 kg), trimmed of fat 5 cloves garlic, minced 1 tbsp (15 ml) olive oil 1 tsp (5 ml) dried basil 1 tsp (5 ml) dried thyme 1 tsp (5 ml) mustard powder 1 tsp (5 ml) salt 1 tsp (5 ml) black pepper

1. Preheat oven to 350 F (180 C) Rinse meat and pat dry. Place on rack in large roasting pan. 2. In small bowl, combine garlic, oil, basil, thyme, mustard, salt and pepper. Rub mixture over meat. 3. Roast until thermometer inserted in centre reaches 145 F (60 C) for medium-rare or 160 F (71 C) for medium, 55 to 65 minutes. Transfer to cutting board and let stand for 10 minutes before slicing.

SERVES 4

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ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You will be in demand socially today but you must choose carefully among the invitations you receive because you won't have time to grace every event.

SEPT 23-OCT 23
Some people see doom and gloom in all directions, but you are not like that, not least because from where you stand life looks pretty good.

TAURUS

You will need to make an effort to be decisive today. With the sun opposing Jupiter a work or family matter you thought had been resolved will come back.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

If you have made a promise of some kind you will be expected to keep it today. Don't even think about trying to back out

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21 You need to be disciplined to-day, above and beyond your usual level, but that does not mean you can't enjoy yourself.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Listen carefully to what friend has to tell you today be-cause there is wisdom in their words. It is up to you whether you act on their advice.

CANCER

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far today. It may be that today's sun-lupiter link-up will and the sun-lupiter link-up will be sun-lupiter link-up wil sun-Jupiter link-up will make you a bit too candid for some people's liking.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

Your devotion to duty has been noted by someone in a position of authority, so don't worry that you might be falling behind in the race for promotion.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

You need to be practical in everything you do today. That may not sound too exciting but now is not the right time to attempt the impossible.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
Creatively and romantically anything is possible for you now, but a sun-Jupiter aspect means you need to be focused.

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

It won't be long before your luck begins to turn and you can start on those plans you have largely kept to yourself these past few months.

PISCES FFR 19-MARCH 20

You will get a huge amount of work done today, and in a very short time frame. It's good that the weekend is almost here because you will need a rest.

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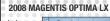


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